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Introduction of CBCS
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has decided to introduce Choice Based Credit System (CBCS) in all universities in the country;
(b) if so, the reasons therefor;
(c) whether the CBCS would be different from the existing teaching learning process; and
(d) if so, the details of the universities which have introduced CBCS, State-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
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(a) & (b): The University Grants Commission (UGC) has framed guidelines for adoption of Choice Based-Credit System (CBCS) for all undergraduate and postgraduate level degree, diploma and certificate programmes under the credit system awarded by Central, State and Deemed to be Universities. The guidelines have been framed to enhance academic standards and quality in higher education, bringing innovation and improvements in curriculum, teaching-learning process, examination and evaluation systems. The UGC had circulated these guidelines to the Vice-Chancellors of all Universities and requested them to introduce this system from the academic year 2015-16. The guidelines provide a framework for progressively adopting of the different aspects of CBCS namely (i) semester system; (ii) development of core, elective and foundation courses; (iii) updation of curricula utilizing the flexibility provided as per the guidelines; (iv) examination and assessment system including awarding of credits and credit transfer; etc.
(c): The CBCS will enable students to take courses of their choice, learn at their own pace, undergo additional courses and acquire more than the required credits, and adopt an interdisciplinary approach to learning. The details of the guidelines are available at http://www.ugc.ac.in/pdfnews/9555132_Guidelines.pdf.
(d): The UGC has informed that all 39 Central Universities, except University of Delhi, maintained by the UGC are implementing CBCS from the academic session 2015-2016 in all postgraduate programmes. At undergraduate level, the CBCS is being implemented by all UGC maintained 39 Central Universities except Pondicherry University, University of Allahabad, Assam University, North Eastern Hill University and Mizoram University. The list of UGC maintained 39 Central Universities is at Annexure-I.
The UGC has also informed that 12 deemed to be Universities are implementing CBCS. The details of these deemed to be Universities are at Annexure-II.
The UGC has indicated in the guidelines that it is desirable that higher educational institutions move to CBCS and implement the grading system.
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